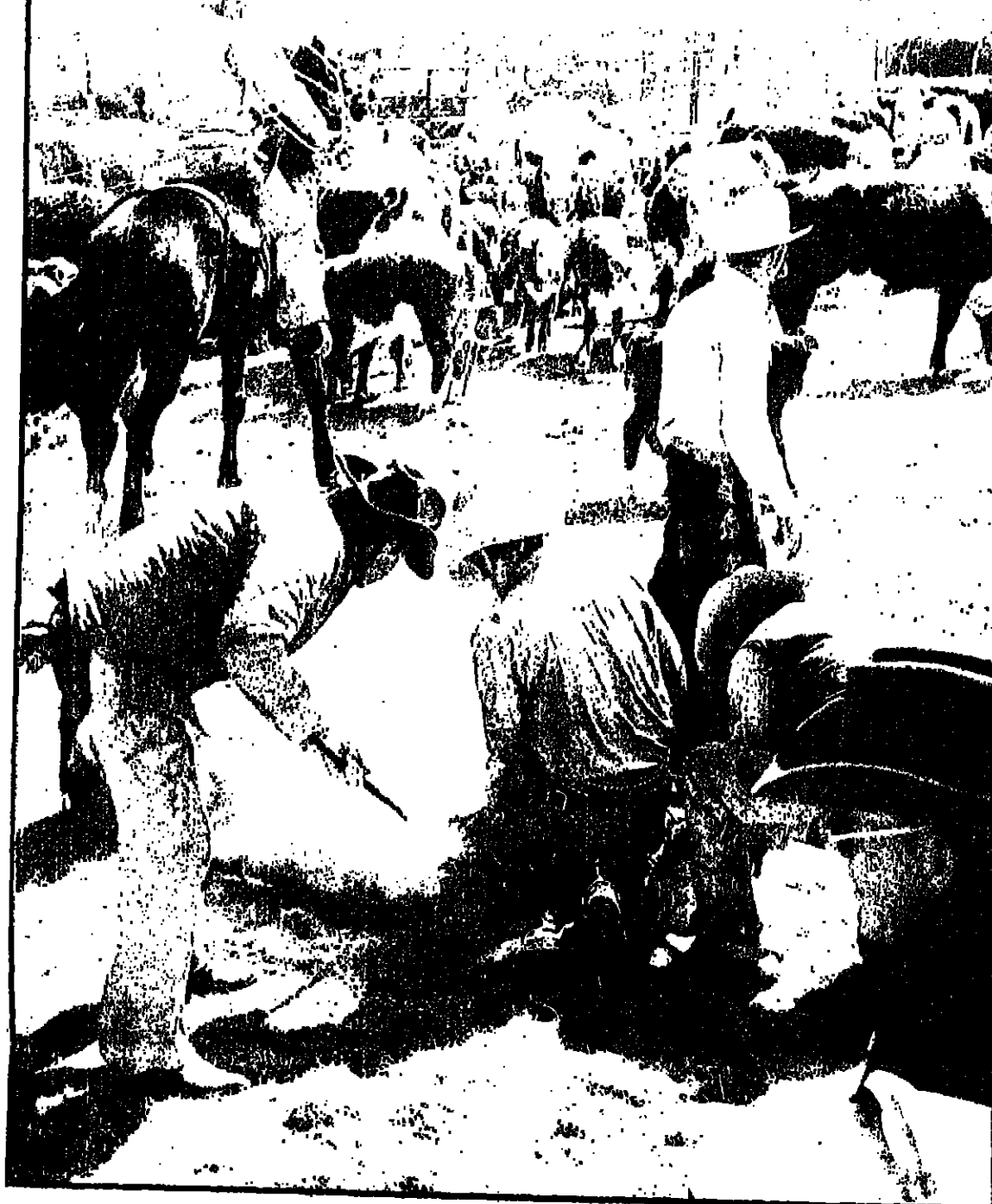


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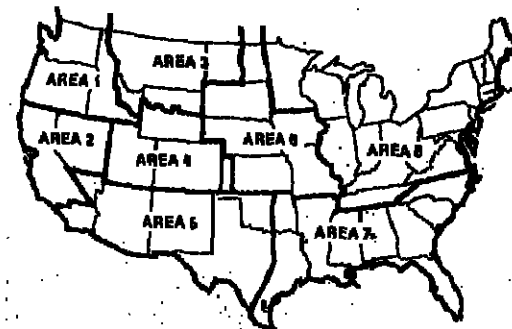
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Revelation that the animal welfare movement has joined with vegetarians to promote the overthrow of animal agriculture is more than an industry embarrassment. It is a threat to the security of our ranch, feedlot, home and way of life. It is true that the promotion of animal agriculture by the livestock industry has been slipshod. And certainly this is not the first time the industry has been threatened.

Never, however, have opponents of animal agriculture laid it on with a trowel as broad as the one used in a news release sent to Western Livestock Journal. They call it a "major training, mobilization and planning conference for vegetarian and animal rights action."

Interestingly, the group will mobilize to overthrow your business and home over the July 4th weekend. The meeting represents an effort by 20 organizations to do away with your livelihood. Included are the American Natural Hygiene Society, Animal Protection Institute, Animal Rights Network, Beauty Without Cruelty, The Fund for Animals, Institute for Study of Animal Problems, Society for Animal Rights, Vegetarian Information Service and Vegetarian Times.

The program is being designed to train and mobilize concerned individuals to promote vegetarian, animal rights, and related objectives. Workshops, according to the news release, will utilize objectives from the "peace, civil rights and feminist movement."

The toxic mixture of boycotts, demonstrations, lobbying and litigation training is to be provided those who register at the conference. Special task forces will be mobilized to carry on the "effort on behalf of narrowly defined objectives."

The Steering Committee of the Forum for Animal Agriculture has called a meeting in Washington, D.C. on June 19, 1981 to respond to the threat.

The idea being discussed is the form a coalition to launch an information program to inform the public of the excellent conditions under which animals are raised. "It is hard to overemphasize the importance of this meeting. We may be fighting for the life of animal agriculture as we know it," says steering committee members Don Van Houwelling and Richard Schriber. If you can help, phone Van Houwelling at 408/591-7221 or Schriber at 408/590-3630 and tell them you plan to become active.

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Occidental Petroleum Corp., the Los Angeles based oil giant, has reached a preliminary agreement to acquire Iowa Beef Processors Inc. (IBP), ranked as the nation's largest beef packer.

If successful, the deal would result in stock transactions valued at more than \$750 million. The proposal involves a swap of Occidental preferred stock, valued at \$77, and Occidental common stock for each of IBP's approximately 10 million shares—the number outstanding according to available figures.

Occidental, which has had a flamboyant history

under the 83-year-old chairman, Arnold Hummer, would diversify in a totally new direction by going into the food industry.

Unlike Occidental's up successful move three years ago to swap some \$800 million worth of its stock for Mead Corp., which was fought off by the forest

products firm, the proposed merger with IBP apparently has received a friendly reception.

The directors of both Occidental and IBP approved the merger in principle, according to the Los Angeles Times.

More significant, however, is the fact that Los Angeles financier David H. Murdock, who is the Dakota City, Neb. based company's biggest shareholder, said he would vote his 19% holding in IBP's common stock in favor of the proposed merger.

Murdock is the chairman, chief executive and sole shareholder of Pacific Holding Corp., which holds nearly two million shares of IBP through a subsidiary, International Mining Corp., New York.

Murdock's holdings would be exchanged under the tax-free swap for some

\$145 million worth of Occidental securities, the L.A. Times reports. If true, it would be more than triple the per-share price that Murdock's firm paid when it began accumulating large position in IBP nearly five years ago.

IBP's shares closed May 29 at \$58.50, up \$1.50 on 6400 shares after hitting a new high of \$58.625 during the day's session. Occidental's shares on the exchange closed down 8.25 at \$29 on strong volume of 212,700 shares.

The reported terms also include a provision that either party would have the option to terminate the transaction if it is not completed within four months of the agreement in principle.

IBP, which last fiscal year reported \$4.6 billion in revenues and a \$63 million net profit, has a stormy (Continued on page 2)

97th annual meeting:

MSGA faces issue of water, land ills

By MARTHA WILLIAMS

Some 100 Montana Stockgrowers heard an array of political and industry leaders discuss problems facing the cattle industry at their 97th annual meeting recently in Billings. Montana Stockgrowers Assn. (MSGA) president, George Rath, cited water, federal land management, control of inflation and interest rates as some of the livestock industry's most urgent concerns.

Rath, in his annual report, pointed out that "the past legislature passed a comprehensive water bill which could become the starting point of Montana laying claim to its water by actually storing and using (it)." Rath suggested using money from the depletion of some resources to conserve water resources.

"I can't think of a better use for coal funds, or one that is more justifiable and will extend into the future," he said.

Regarding land management, Rath said that the "defeat of the Sagebrush Rebellion bill in the Montana legislature will probably be interpreted by some as a rubber stamp on federal land management" and urged members to send a message to the federal government emphasizing

Montana's desire for a full partnership in the management of federal lands and "the decisions affecting them."

Stockgrowers at the meeting approved these resolutions: a full financial report to be issued by the Montana Cooperative, a proposed packing and processing plant to be financed primarily by Montana stockmen; a halt to wilderness area designations; a request that the Montana legislature study how other states handle severed, minority, and abandoned mineral interests; elimination of the exemption for transfers of five or less cattle from brand inspection; and enforcement of Montana's weed laws.

Senator Max Baucus reported to nearly 200 CowBelles attending their annual meeting in conjunction with the MSGA convention that it would be a tough battle to keep estate tax reform included in a tax cut package. He suggested the women make weekly contact with congressmen to outline their concerns. Baucus also feels the U.S. should send a signal to Japan to open its barriers to (Continued on page 3)



DISTRACTED—Saphronia Shelton does not seem overly interested in the activities taking place at Red McCombs Longhorn Futurity, Kerrville, Texas. But her father, Bobby, showed considerable more enthusiasm, purchasing five head of cattle for his Kerrville, Texas, operation.

Brucellosis program gets underway Jan. 1

Paul Becton, director of the National Brucellosis Eradication Program, recently outlined the brucellosis state classification system at the Livestock Conservation Institute's annual meeting in St. Louis, reports CNS.

As of Jan. 1, 1982, states will be classified A, B or C depending on the amount of brucellosis in the state, Becton said.

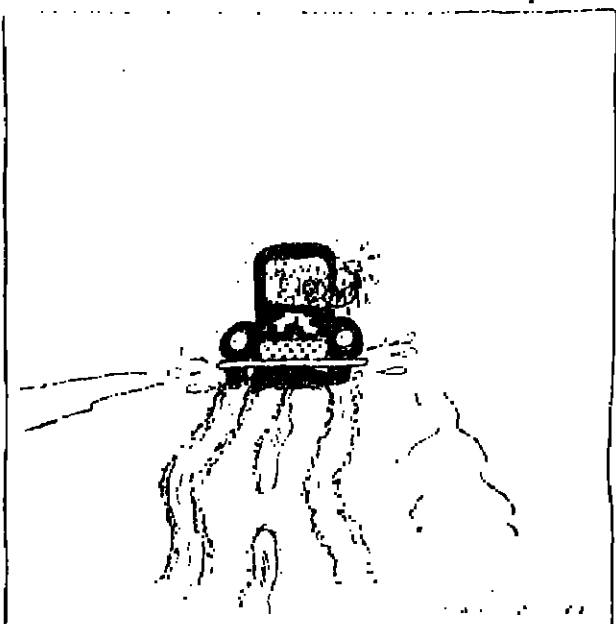
Class A states must be free of brucellosis with an effective surveillance and prevention program, he said. Animals from these states are free to move to any other state without testing, he said.

Class B states will be modified-certified states, he said. The disease must be prevalent in no more than 1% of those state's cattle herds, with no county exceeding 2% annually. To qualify, the state must have an effective surveillance and prevention program and must be making progress in reducing the prevalence of brucellosis. Also, cattle must have a 30-day negative test or be from a certified-free-of-brucellosis herd to move and must be quarantined and retested 45 to 120 days after movement, Becton said.

Class C states are those that do not meet A or B requirements but must show progress in reducing prevalence of brucellosis, he said. To move cattle from a class C state, two negative tests at 60-day intervals must be obtained or the cattle must be from certified brucellosis-free herds. Like class B, cattle must be quarantined and retested 45 to 120 days after movement. Some changes may be made in the guidelines when the U.S. Animal Health Assn. meets in October, Becton said. Some states have full class B (Continued on page 2)

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L.A. oil giant bid may capture IBP

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history while achieving dominance in the meat packing business over the traditional leaders during the 1970s.

IBP encountered strong opposition from meat cutters' unions after establishing highly automated plants that employed a work force at much lower hourly wages than those secured by the old-line meat packers.

USDA and a congressional committee have investigated IBP's controversial marketing practices. No actions were brought against the company as a result of those inquiries.

USDA head lists sheep scrapie up

Four outbreaks of sheep scrapie disease were confirmed between April 13 and May 1, but a USDA official said it has not been determined whether the unusually high number meant an increase in the disease or more thorough reporting of its presence, reports CNS.

Coming Events

June 8-10—Fourth Annual National Santa Gertrudis Junior Heifer Show, Jackson, Miss.

June 9-12—Livestock Marketing Congress, St. Paul, Minn.

June 11-13—Nebraska Stock Growers Assn. Convention, Kearney, Neb.

June 13—Colorado—Wyoming Polled Hereford Tour, John Smart Ranches, McClave, Colo.

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June 13—Colorado Slimmental Assn., Field Day, Burlington, Colo.

June 13-14—South Dakota Polled Hereford Field Day, Huron, S.D.

June 14—South Dakota Junior Polled Hereford Preview Show, Huron, S.D.

June 16-20—Great Western Beef Expo, Sterling, Colo.

Cattle Auctions

June 8—Spur Cattle Co., Har-
ford Dispersal, Registered &
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June 9—Alex Munn Estate
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June 11-14—Brangus Days in the
Texas Hill Country, Kerrville,
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June 13—Hondo Creek Ranch 1st
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June 16—Woody Plamen Com-
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June 20—Longhorn Summer
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Brucellosis program gets underway Jan.

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to be classified B, he said. Oklahoma and Arkansas are expected to be classified B or C. Eastern Texas, Louisiana, Mississippi and Southern Florida are expected to be classified C. Most other states, which are not major cattle producing states, will be classified A.

Texas and Florida are divided into two regions because the disease is more prevalent in certain sections, he said. Both states

are under accelerated brucellosis eradication programs and officials in each state reported increased vaccinating and testing. Vaccination of calves was up 87% in Florida and about 100% in Texas, compared with last year at this time, the officials said.

In the first half of 1981, partially because of the accelerated program in Texas and Florida, 4.42 million calves have been vaccinated nationally, com-

pared with 3.52 million calves for the first half of 1980 and 5.84 million for all of 1980, Becton said.

Despite budget restraints and recent cuts in indemnity funds, testing and vaccination must be maintained, Becton said.

To keep funds available for the testing and vaccination, Florida cattlemen voluntarily voted a 20% reduction in indemnity payments before the national program was also

reduced 20% recently. Clarence Campbell, director of the Florida Department of Agriculture's division of animal industry, said the reduction in the indemnity program is effective through Sept. 30, the end of USDA's fiscal year.

That voluntary reduction gave Florida an additional \$400,000 to use for the programs, which will offset the state through the end of the fiscal year, Campbell said.

USDA to halt release of early market estimate

The USDA announced recently it will discontinue preparing and releasing terminal market advance estimated receipts for 90 days, reports CNS.

USDA dropped the advanced estimates at the request of the River Markets Group, according to John Van Dyke, assistant chief of USDA's Livestock Market News.

Van Dyke said the advanced estimates were "almost a guess" by USDA Market News reporters at the various terminals. He said the estimates were

"hard to come up with" and that USDA did not feel the figures were reliable.

According to Ray Davis, president of Witherspoon Commission Co. of Kansas City and chairman of the River Markets Group, the group's request was the result of two or three years' of "loud criticism" that the advanced estimates resulted in lower cattle prices when actual marketings were substantially heavier than the estimates.

Davis said the issue was discussed at the group's annual meeting in St. Louis

two week's ago, when the request was made to USDA.

The advanced estimates were a "diservice to the industry," Davis said, because of their possible impact on marketings and prices. A small percentage of total livestock are sold through the terminal markets. However, Davis said, some in the industry thought advanced estimates also affected direct marketings at times.

However, analysts and traders at the Chicago Mercantile Exchange contacted by CNS said they

used the advanced estimates as early indicators into cash market movement insight into trading strategy.

The USDA will decide after the 90-day trial period of whether to re-instate advanced estimates, Van Dyke said.

Industry comments on USDA's decision to discontinue the advanced estimates should be addressed to James Ray, Chief Livestock Market News, USDA, AMS, LPOB, Washington, D.C. 20260.

Montana Stockgrowers Assn. faces issue of water, land troubles

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American agriculture products.

The senator asked the women to call his office if they encountered what seemed to be bureaucratic hassles regarding grazing rights. "Congress has the responsibility to call agencies to task when they throw up bureaucratic road-blocks," Baucus observed.

Montana's other senator, John D. Melcher, told a general session meeting he has asked the Interior Secretary to prevent a long-term study on the retaining of multiple use areas in Montana that the Bureau of Land Management has recommended for wilderness designation. The effect of the long-term study, Melcher said, would be to hold the areas in question as wilderness

areas, which would be "adverse to almost all those who live there."

The land itself lacks wilderness qualities," said Melcher. Melcher reported that the Fish and Wildlife management people of the C.M. Russell refuge area have ignored the opportunity for range improvement in their proposal to reduce grazing at the refuge

one-third by 1985. He also noted that he opposes cuts in government spending for agriculture research, as well as for soil and water conservation, although he supports budget cuts, in general. He pointed to areas of foreign aid, government employee travel pay, consultants, and paperwork as areas that need federal spending reform.

Montana Governor Ted Schwinden hailed the recent increase in the beef check-off, but warned Montana stockgrowers that "increasingly decisions that affect ranchers are made by those who are urban."

"You can't relax because you have a friend in the White House or the state house," he warned ranchers. Schwinden called the water development program "possibly the most significant legislation" just passed. It should "put Montana water to work for Montana people," he observed.

Schwinden said the newly created, consolidated transportation division of the Commerce Department will begin to assess transit problems. "We came here because the railroads gave us the market; now roads are crumbling, railroads are disappearing," the governor said. He called for a fund of specific highway dollars to go where most needed.

"Montana needs 50 to \$80 million per year in a highway fund to allow a road system that can cope with changes in other parts of transportation," according to the governor. He warned that livestock producers are not divorced from the problems that grain producers will have. "Grain will go to subterminals (of the railroad), and

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U.S. and USSR to discuss grains pact, says Block

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He said the agenda would primarily be a review of the world crop situation and a discussion of whatever additional grain needs the Soviets might have.

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Farm equipment reps meet for product event

STAFF REPORT

More than 70 farm equipment distributors, sales representatives and members of the farm press from across North America gathered in Harper, Kan., recently for an up-front, first hand view of the DewEze lineup of big bale handling equipment...and they got an eye-full!

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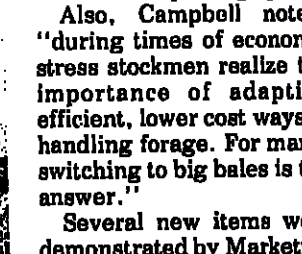


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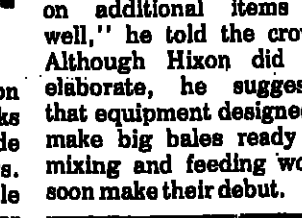
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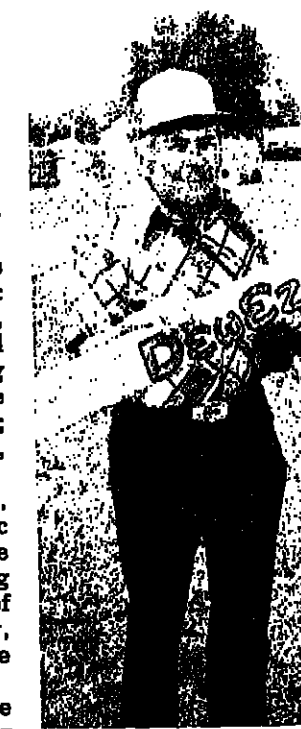
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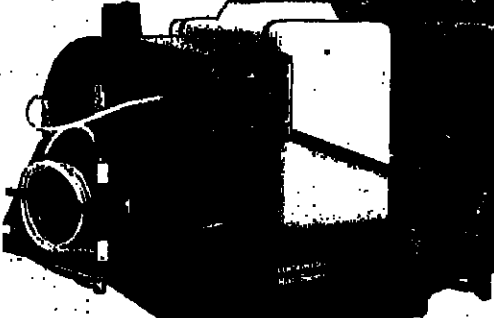
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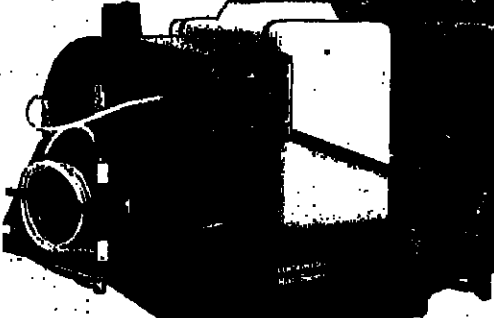
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North Dakota Jr. Hereford Assn.

Carlson Hereford Farms, Spiritwood, N.D., will be hosting the North Dakota Junior Hereford Assn. field day June 22, according to an announcement by Joe Wheeling NDJHA president. Festivities will begin at 9 a.m. with registration.

Many exciting contests are planned, including a live animal evaluation contest for 4-H, FFA and other interested teams and individuals. Also a speech contest open to any junior member on any subject pertaining to Herefords, junior olympics and NDJHA skit "Century II—The Magic Comes Through" will be held.

New Mexico Cattle Growers Assn.

Members of the New Mexico Cattle Growers Assn. met in Albuquerque, N.M. recently to conduct their 67th annual convention. Numerous committees met to prepare resolutions and guidelines for future consideration by the New Mexico legislature. Senator Charlie T. Lee of Alamogordo was named Cattleman of the Year. Re-elected to serve as officers of the association were: President, Phil Bidegain, Tucumcari; vice presidents, Bob Jones, Alamogordo; Peter Mocho, Albuquerque; Bud Eppers, Roswell; Don Hoffman, Mesquite; secretary-treasurer, Mrs. Jerry Clayton.

American Quarter Horse Assn.

Prize money totaling \$5,000 will be awarded in a photo contest sponsored by the American Quarter Horse Assn. and The Quarter Horse Journal.

There are two categories of competition: action and human interest. Action pictures include photographs of Quarter Horses performing in AQHA-approved events, either in the arena or in their natural environment. Human interest pictures include serious or humorous photographs which illustrate the Quarter Horse's disposition and/or a close relationship with people.

Photos must be taken with a 35mm or larger format camera. Prints submitted to the contest must be 5" x 7" or 8" x 10" and must be postmarked no later than October 1. Entries should be sent to the American Quarter Horse Assn., Dept. PC, Amarillo, Texas 79168.



SCHOLARSHIP WINNER—Montana CowBelles awarded their annual scholarship to Karla Sissel, Rudyard, (seated, second left) at the CowBelles annual convention recently in Billings. Pictured are: Arlene Weppeler (left), scholarship chairman; Karla; Betty and Bill Sissel, the proud parents; Shirley Wolfe (standing, left), and Marlene Hawks, scholarship committee members.



HONORED—Merlyn Carlson of Lodgepole, Neb., past president of the Nebraska Stock Growers Assn., was recognized in Lincoln, Neb. as the 1981 University of Nebraska Block and Bridle Club Honoree. Club President Don Kracke (second from left), presented a color portrait of Carlson to the honoree, while Mrs. Carlson looked on. A formal portrait of the cow-calf and feedlot operations owner and livestock industry leader also went presented to the Institute of Agriculture and Natural Resources animal science department.

Colorado Cattlemen's Assn.

With an eye on the coming decade, the state's beef cattle producers are gearing up for the 114th Annual Colorado Cattlemen's Assn. Convention, June 17, 18 and 19 in Durango, Colo. This year's event is being co-hosted by the La Plata County Cattlemen's Assn. and the Southwestern Colorado Livestock Assn.

Scheduled speakers include Colorado Congressman Ray Kogovsek (D-3); Ron Micheli, Washington, D.C. director of government affairs for land and natural resources for the National Cattlemen's Assn. and executive director for the Public Lands Council; Economic Forecaster Ernest Schneider, Hudson Institute, New York; Livestock Marketing Specialist Lemmy Wilson, Newport, Tenn.; Bill Ross, region V vice president for the National Cattlemen's Assn. for the Jordan Valley in Oregon; and newly elected president of the American National CowBelles, Ann Woolley, Ada, Okla.



PRESIDENT—Shirley Blunt, Regina, Mont., was recently elected president of Montana State CowBelles at the annual convention in Billings.

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Meat, consumer groups differ on "lean-beef" grading plans

Meat industry trade groups and a consumer group held differing opinions on proposed grading changes designed to encourage production of leaner beef, but generally say their views may not be irreconcilable. CNS has learned.

The National Cattlemen's Assn. recently petitioned the USDA to implement grading changes that NCA says would cater to a growing consumer preference for leaner beef. According to NCA, its proposed changes would allow more lean beef to qualify for the U.S. choice grade, thereby encouraging its production.

In addition, the proposed changes would allow the upper one-third of the current choice grade to qualify as U.S. prime. The NCA standards would also de-emphasize marbling as a quality grade criterion in favor of a standard based on a minimum outside fat cover.

According to NCA, the proposed standards would not reduce the palatability of the meat in the top grades and would permit cattlemen to produce quality beef with fewer days on feed. The USDA currently is reviewing that suggestion and may publish a proposal based on the NCA petition before fall, according to one USDA official.

However, USDA Assistant Secretary C.W. McMillan said recently that it may take USDA about a year to implement any grade changes.

Perhaps most at odds

with the NCA proposal in its present form are the National Restaurant Assn. (NRA) and the National Assn. of Meat Purveyors, groups whose members respectively buy and sell high quality beef for away-from-home consumption. Such beef now generally falls in the prime and upper portion of the choice grades.

Representatives of both the restaurant association and the meat purveyors recently told CNS they oppose the NCA proposal because it would weaken quality standards that are already inadequate. Both groups said they would generally prefer a return to the standards in effect before 1976, at which time the USDA implemented beef grading changes allowing slightly leaner beef to qualify for the top quality grades.

The NCA's grading proposal would create even greater variability of quality within the top two grades—U.S. prime and choice—and would thus make the USDA grades a less accurate indicator of beef quality, an NRA staffer told CNS. Both the restaurant association and the meat purveyors said the NCA proposal would result in consumers paying higher prices for reduced quality beef and could allow nearly 90% of all beef produced in the U.S. to be graded choice.

"If consumers really want leaner beef, there's plenty of it available to them under current standards," the purveyors' beef grading committee chairman, Mel

Salomon, told CNS.

"As presently constructed, we don't think they (the proposals) are in the best interest of consumers," Ellen Haas, director of the Community Nutrition Institute, (CNI) consumer division, told CNS. Haas said that including leaner beef in the choice grade would make the choice grade too wide. If leaner beef were included in the choice grade as well as some of the beef now grading choice, consumers would have to pay as much for lean beef, which is cheaper to produce, as for its less-lean counterpart, she said.

Haas said CNI would like a separate grade for the lean, less expensive cuts of beef now marketed at many supermarket meat counters as ungraded beef. However, she said, because of its interest in diet and health, CNI endorses the purpose of the NCA proposal—to encourage the production of leaner beef.

The National Meat Assn. (NMA) basically differs with the NCA proposal on where to draw the "prime line." Under the NCA proposal, beef in the "A" maturity range would qualify for prime if it had moderate marbling, while beef in the "B" maturity range would need "moderate" or "slightly abundant" marbling to qualify for that grade. The NMA would like the prime grade designation to require slightly abundant marbling across both maturity ranges, an NMA official told CNS. In addition, NMA opposes the use of fat color as a criterion for determin-

ing the choice grade, he said. The NCA proposal would require beef with slight marbling to have at least 0.30 inch of outside fat cover opposite the ribeye muscle at the 12th rib to qualify for the proposed new choice grade. It would also require such fat to be no more than "slightly yellow" in color for the beef to qualify as choice. This color requirement would eliminate predominantly forage-fed beef

from the choice grade, according to NCA. The Western States Meat Packers Assn. (WSMPA) agrees with the NMA position but objects to the use of both fat color and outside fat thickness as grading criteria—factors that would add additional subjectivity to grading, a WSMPA official told CNS. The American Meat Institute (AMI) said it supported the recommendation that the choice grade

should include carcasses in the "A" maturity range that had a slight amount of marbling. However, AMI took exception to the NCA stipulation that such carcasses should also be required to have a minimum fat cover and an acceptable color.

AMI also objected to the NCA proposal for the inclusion of the upper one-third of the current choice grade in the new prime grade.

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Colorado Simmental Assn.

The fourth annual Colorado Simmental Assn. Field Day will be held at the K&L Carson County Fair Grounds in Burlington, Colo., June 13. Registration will begin at 8 a.m. Activities include a youth show, an adult judging contest, a grooming demonstration and lunch. For more information contact the association at 303/353-3922.

Nebraska Jr. Hereford Assn.

The Nebraska Junior Hereford Assn. and Spencer Herefords, Brewster, are co-sponsoring the Sandhills Hereford Day June 20 at the Spencer Ranch. A program of interest to youth as well as registered and commercial cattlemen is planned.

Activities will get underway at 8 a.m. with registration to be followed by opening ceremonies, host and queen candidate introductions. A live animal evaluation contest will be conducted for 4-H, FFA and other interested individuals and teams. Official placings will be made by Dr. Keith Gilster, extension livestock evaluation youth specialist, University of Nebraska.

Wyoming Range Youth Camp

Range management, ecology, plant identification and mining reclamation will be among topics covered during the 1981 Wyoming Range Youth Camp and Youth Leaders Workshop slated June 15-20 at the Circle J, Methodist Ranch near Tonsleep.

Camp participants will spend full days getting hands-on experience in various aspects of range management and will identify and collect range plants from desert, foothill and mountain areas. They will be able to keep their plant collections for use in fairs and other projects. For information, write to Fee Busby, Division of Range Management, Box 3854 University Station, Laramie, Wyo. 82071 or phone 766-2283.

USDA tightening disaster payment

The USDA has announced six regulatory revisions to tighten controls on those who benefit from the farm disaster emergency loan program administered by the Farmers Home Administration (FmHA).

One of the six changes, requires that USDA declare a region "a disaster area" only when a natural disaster hinders more than 25 farmers in a county.

The following additional changes were implemented for the emergency loan program:

- Emergency loans can no longer be used to expand farming operations beyond the amount conducted before the disaster.

- Borrowers who receive emergency loans for operating purposes must obtain the minimum required level of all-risk crop insurance, if available.

- Procedures used to calculate production losses have been revised to more accurately reflect an applicant's actual loss.

- Minimum criterion for eligibility for actual production loss loans is increased from 90% to a 95% loss of a normal year's production.

- FmHA reduced from 90% to 80% the amount of subsidized loans each borrower may receive.

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Ag engineer lists hay hints

"With hay valued at near \$100 per ton, it is of utmost concern that you harvest and store it to get the largest quantity plus the best quality," says Kenneth Hellevang, extension agricultural engineer at North Dakota State University.

Harvesting at the proper growth stage determines the quality of the hay. Hay at the early bloom stage has the quality of high protein and total dry matter, so this is the recommended cutting time. Moisture content should be 20 to 25% when the hay is packaged. There may be a slight sweating at this moisture content but the hay should not change color.

Two tests to determine if the hay is at the proper moisture content to bale is the twist and the fingernail

scrape tests. The hay is too wet if the hay is tough when twisted and there is moisture at the breakage point when the stems are broken. Hellevang points out. It should be slightly brittle with no moisture at stem breakage points. Also the hay is too wet if the stem tissue peels off when scraped with the fingernail, he adds.

Leaf loss may be excessive during period of drought because the moisture content is low. Handling the hay during the morning or evening will help reduce the leaf loss due to the higher humidity at these times.

Large round bales stored outside need to be in a well drained area perpendicular to the land contour so water will not be trapped. Place

the bales end-to-end in rows. Leave plenty of space between rows if rows are placed side-by-side. If the bales are to be stacked, wait until after fall rains. Much storage loss will result from water trapped between the top and lower bales, cautions Hellevang.

A study at South Dakota State University during a year with 22 inches of precipitation showed that large round bales that were stacked had a dry matter loss of 10%. This loss was reduced to 4% when the bales were left separate and as 1% when placed end-to-end in stacked rows.

Building a structure for inside storage through the winter is economically borderline based on dry matter loss.



OFFICERS—Newly elected CowBelle officers for Montana are: Andree Billingsley (left), corresponding secretary; Norma Johnson, past president advisor; Betty Gray, vice president; Shirley Blunt, president; Jane Lindren, past president; Louise Palm, parliamentarian; Joyce Grizzle, president-elect; Darlene Butcher, secretary-treasurer.

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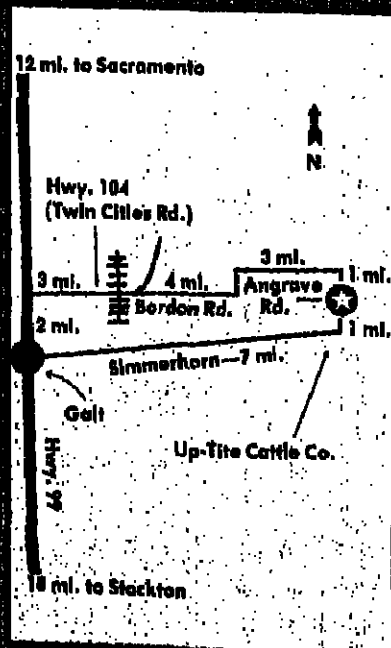
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Market Roundup:

Fed cattle lead in uninspired market

FED CATTLE PRICES OPENED the holiday-shortened week under downward price pressure, as live cattle prices adjusted to last week's lower dressed beef trade, along with buyers being faced with liberal receipts at major marketing terminals. By midweek some or all of the early losses were regained when buyers fought for reduced terminal receipts, and the dressed beef trade showed signs of strength. Most marketing areas over the nation are still in very current supply situations with YG 4-5 cattle not a severe problem.

Slaughter steers and heifers, once again, trended very uneven according to the USDA Livestock Market News Service. Midwestern terminal markets, Omaha, Sioux City and Sioux Falls finished steady to \$1 lower, except Idaho, which closed steady to \$.50 higher.

OKLAHOMA CITY STEERS md. frame #1 500-600 lb. \$63.69; 600-700 lb. \$63.64-70; 700-800 lb. \$61.60-63.40. Heifers md. frame #1 500-600 lb. \$55.50-57.50; 600-700 lb. \$55.50-58.35. Amarillo steers md. frame #1 300-400 lb. \$73.78-80; 400-500 lb. \$64.67; 600-600 lb. \$61.64; 600-700 lb. \$68.82; 700-800 lb. \$60.82; 800-900 lb. \$59.61-10. Heifers md. frame #1 300-400 lb. \$61.25-65.30; 400-500 lb. \$56.25-61.50; 500-600 lb. \$62.70-67; 600-700 lb. \$62.75-67; 700-775 lb. \$53.55-60. Dodge City steers md. frame #1 525-575 lb. \$73.60-74.50; 600-700 lb. \$62.60-64.40; 700-800 lb. \$61.25-63.90; 800-900 lb. \$61.62-25. Heifers md. frame #1 600-600 lb. \$55.80-60.50; 600-700 lb. \$57.60-58.80; 700-800 lb. \$56.80-58.60. Colorado steers md. frame #1 300-400 lb. \$72.79; 400-500 lb. \$67.74-50; 600-600 lb. \$63.50-68.75; 625-750 lb. \$61.64-50; 775-950 lb. \$60.50-63. Heifers md. frame #1 350-475 lb. \$60.66; 600-725 lb. \$57.50-60.

WYOMING, WESTERN NEBRASKA, southwestern South Dakota steers md. frame #1 525-575 lb. \$70-72.40; 625-675 lb. \$63.50-66.25; 700-825 lb. \$61.80-63.70. Heifers md. frame #1 350-500 lb. \$59.65; 500-525 lb. \$62.63-60; 500-550 lb. \$56.30-59.50. Montana steers md. frame #1 650-750 lb. \$62-63. Heifers md. frame #1 475-550 lb. \$68-61. Washington, Oregon steers md. frame #1 350-550 lb. \$70-75.50; 600-725 lb. \$64-67.50; 825-850 lb. \$61.60-61.70. Heifers md. frame #1 250-400 lb. \$63.25-69; 400-500 lb. \$68.50-64.25; 500-700 lb. \$58.50-63.25; 725-800 lb. \$64.50-67. California steers md. frame #1 400-500 lb. \$70; 525-575 lb. \$65-68; 750-1000 lb. \$58-60. Heifers md. frame #1 775-850 lb. \$52-54.

Arizona slaughter steers mixed good and choice 2-3 950-1125 lb. \$66-67; choice 975-1125 lb. \$66.10-67; Holsteins and cornbreds \$63.50-64. Heifers mixed good and choice 2-3 875 lb. \$64; 850 lb. heiferettes \$60-62. California slaughter steers choice 2-4 1025-1225 lb. \$67-67.50; YG 3-4 1250-1300 lb. \$67; good and choice 2-4 950-1100 lb. \$67-67.50; 1075-1150 lb. Holsteins \$62-63.50; good 2-3 950-1150 lb. \$65-66.25. Heifers choice 2-3 975-1000 lb. \$64.50-66; good 850 lb. \$62-63.

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TEXAS, WESTERN OKLAHOMA slaughter steers good and mostly choice 2-3 1000-1125 lb. \$68.50-69; mixed good and choice 2-3 1000-1300 lb. \$67.50-68.25; Holsteins \$63.50-65. Heifers choice 2-3 950 lb. \$66.50; mixed good and choice 2-4 900-1000 lb. with heiferettes \$64-66; good and choice 2-4 heiferettes 950-1050 lb. \$62.50-64. Utah slaughter steers good to mostly choice 2-3 1050-1150 lb. \$66-68; Holsteins \$61.50. Heifers good to mostly choice 2-3 900-1000 lb. \$64. Washington, Oregon slaughter steers good to mostly choice 2-3 1050-1150 lb. \$68-69.50; 1150-1250 lb. \$67.50-68.50. Heifers good to mostly choice 2-3 900-1000 lb. \$66-66.50. Wyoming, western Nebraska, southwestern South Dakota slaughter steers choice 2-3 1150-1175 lb. \$66.75-67.50. Heifers good to mostly choice 2-3 950-1050 lb. \$64-65.75.

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- RANGE WATER: Excellent water from river, creeks and springs
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